

**RENO CITY COUNCIL
BRIEF OF MINUTES
JANUARY 8, 2002
(Official Minutes in City Clerk's Office)**

The Regular Meeting of the Reno City Council was called to order at 12:15 p.m. on January 8, 2002 in the Council Chambers at City Hall.

PRESENT: Council Members Hascheff, Harsh, Rigdon, Sferrazza-Hogan, Doyle, Aiazzi and Griffin.

ABSENT: Council Member Aiazzi.

ALSO PRESENT: City Manager McNeely, City Attorney Lynch and City Clerk Cook.

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2B Approval of the Agenda - January 8, 2002.

It was moved by Councilperson Doyle, seconded by Councilperson Hascheff to approve the Agenda as submitted.

Motion carried with Councilperson Aiazzi absent.

3 *Public Comment - Limited to No More Than three (3) Minutes And Limited to Items That Do Not Appear on The Agenda. Comments to Be Addressed to The Council as a Whole. The public may comment on agenda items by submitting a Request to Speak form to the City Clerk. Comment on agenda items is limited to no more than three minutes.

COUNCILPERSON AIAZZI PRESENT 12:20 P.M.

Rev. Onie Cooper, no address given, addressed the Council concerning the intersection of Castle and Montello.

Mr. Sam Dehne, Reno Citizen, indicated that he is concerned about the future of Reno.

Mr. Robert Price, 719 Cornwall, stated that he would like to see the homeless shelter on Sage Street.

Ms. Shirley Allen, P.O. Box 41096, expressed her concern over the Police Department handling of her purse theft.

Ms. Cathy Brandhorst, no address given, expressed her views to the Council.

NO ACTION WAS TAKEN ON THIS ITEM.

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- 4A** Approval of Minutes - December 11, 2001 and October 16, 2001 Joint Meeting of the Reno City Council and Washoe County Commission.

Councilperson Rigdon requested that approval of the October 16, 2001 Minutes be postponed until after Item 10A.

It was moved by Councilperson Doyle, seconded by Councilperson Hascheff to approve the December 11, 2001 Minutes with a correction on Page Eleven to indicate that Councilpersons Harsh and Rigdon voted Nay on Item 7C.

Motion carried.

- 4B** CASH DISBURSEMENTS - December 9, 2001 through December 29, 2001.

It was moved by Councilperson Rigdon, seconded by Councilperson Doyle to approve the Cash Disbursements as submitted.

Motion carried.

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CONSENT AGENDA

- 5A** Staff Report re: Business License Applications.

Recommended: Council approve the business license applications as follows:

- 5B** Staff Report: Creation of and Appointments to Regional Planning Committee.

Recommended: Council appoint a seven member Regional Planning Committee comprised of the Four City Council appointees to the Regional Planning Governing Board and the three City Planning Commissioners that the City Council appointed to the Regional Planning Commission, with the same alternates as appointed respectively.

- 5C** Staff Report: Improvement Agreement and Security for Somerset Parkway Phase 2A Street Improvements (Case No. LDC02-00233).

Recommended: Council approve the Improvement Agreement and Security for Somerset Parkway Phase 2A Street Improvements.

- 5D** Staff Report: Improvement Agreement and Security for Somerset Parkway Phase 2B Street Improvements (Case No. LDC02-00234).

Recommended: Council approve the Improvement Agreement and Security for Somerset Parkway Phase 2B Street Improvements.

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- 5E** Staff Report: Improvement Agreement and Security for Offsite Sewer for the Somerset Development (Case No. LDC02-00166).

Recommended: Council approve the Improvement Agreement and Security for Offsite Sewer for the Somerset Development.

- 5F** Staff Report: Agreement with Artown to conduct an arts facility feasibility study for the Reno Arts and Culture District.

Recommended: Council approve the agreement with Artown and the \$35,000 contribution and authorize the Mayor to sign.

- 5G** Staff Report: Amendments to Existing Leases for Public Works and Internal Affairs.

Recommended: Council approve the lease agreements and authorize the Mayor to sign.

- 5H** Staff Report: Release of Excess Street Rights of Way - Old Virginia Road.

Recommended: Council approve the quitclaim deed releasing the City's interest in the excess street right of way and authorize the Mayor to sign.

- 5I** Staff Report: Reversion to Acreage for Civic Center Condominiums (Case No. LDC02-00239).

Recommended: Council approve the reversion to acreage map.

- 5J** Staff Report: Acceptance of donated Armored Truck to be used by the Police Department's SWAT Team.

Recommended: Council accept the donation from Armored Truck.

- 5K** Staff Report: Interlocal Agreement to Establish a Multi-Jurisdictional Gang Unit.

Recommended: Council approve the Interlocal Agreement as written.

- 5L** Staff Report: Reversion to Acreage for J. Brian Allman and Julianne Allman (Case No. LDC02-00221).

Recommended: Council approve the reversion to acreage map.

- 5M** Staff Report: Emergency Service Contract between the Nevada Division of Environmental Protection and the Reno-Sparks Regional Hazardous Materials Response Team.

Recommended: Council approve the agreement and authorize the Mayor to sign.

It was moved by Councilperson Rigdon, seconded by Councilperson Aiazzi to approve Consent

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- 14F** Request to schedule closed personnel session to consider character and professional competence of Charles McNeely, Reno City Manager - S. Doyle.

Rev. Don Butler, 1995 Carville, expressed his support for the performance of the City Manager.

Mr. Rhen Bass, 4565 Great Fall Loop, stated that he has recently relocated to Reno and has experienced nothing but professionalism and dedication by Mr. McNeely.

Mr. Lonnie Jackson, 3310 Lodestar Ln., spoke in support of Mr. McNeely and stated that as a former City employee he worked for seven City Managers and believes Mr. McNeely to be the most exemplary.

Mr. Tisto Chapman, 2185 Platora Way, voiced his support for the actions of Mr. McNeely regarding youth in the community.

Mr. Sam Dehne, Reno Citizen, stated that he believes the City Council is micro-managing with respect to this issue and should address other issues that have more importance.

Mr. Lonnie Feemster, NAACP, stated that he believes Mr. McNeely has done a fine job over the past six years and does not think a personnel session is necessary.

Ms. Mary Wilson, NAACP, expressed her support for the City Manager.

The Council discussed the procedures that must be followed to hold a closed personnel session and whether or not a personnel session is necessary.

Councilperson Aiazzi asked Councilpersons Doyle and Sferrazza-Hogan to outline the issues that would be the topic of discussion in the closed session.

Councilperson Hascheff pointed out that he does not believe the public should be suspicious of a closed personnel session on Mr. McNeely, since, in the past when the regularly scheduled evaluations were held, Mr. McNeely was highly evaluated and given merit increases.

Councilperson Sferrazza-Hogan stated that she does have issues with the City Manager and added that her constituents have expressed concerns about the Manager's performance.

Mayor Griffin stated that he would not support scheduling a "special" personnel session because a "regular" evaluation is scheduled in two months.

It was moved by Councilperson Doyle, seconded by Councilperson Sferrazza-Hogan to schedule a closed personnel session to consider character and professional competence of Charles McNeely, Reno City Manager on January 18, 2002.

Motion carried with Councilperson Aiazzi and Mayor Griffin absent.

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MAYOR AND COUNCIL

14A Presentation by District Health Department on Street Sweeping/De-icing.

Mr. Andy Goodrich, Director of Air Quality Management Division for the District Health Department, provided a presentation regarding the Air Quality Status in the Truckee Meadows, what regulations are being proposed, the new technologies that have been discussed and the Federal assistance that is available to implement these technologies.

Mr. Goodrich responded to questions from the Council with respect to the financial implications, anti-icing technology and traffic safety.

Councilperson Hascheff pointed out that one of his clients may be involved in the issue so he would abstain on this issue.

It was moved by Councilperson Rigdon, seconded by Councilperson Sferrazza-Hogan to accept the report and direct the Public Works Director to attend the discussions with the Health Department to determine the impact on the City of Reno, if any.

Motion carried with Councilperson Hascheff abstaining.

14B Presentation regarding Cell Towers - J. Hogan

Mr. Doug Smith, of Citizens for a Scenic Northern Nevada, provided the Council with a presentation on cell towers and encouraged the Council to take a proactive approach to the increasing number of cell towers that are being installed all over Reno.

Councilperson Rigdon indicated that less than three years ago, a committee was created and examined the cell tower issues for almost two years

Councilperson Aiazzi suggested that Mr. Smith review the information that was gathered by the cell tower committee and return to Council with any recommended changes.

Council directed Mr. Smith to meet with Councilperson Hascheff and a staff member to discuss his concerns.

14C Recommendation from the Historical Resources Commission regarding the City's Historic Preservation Ordinance.

Councilperson Harsh commended the Historical Resources Commission for their diligence in creating this ordinance.

Ms. Mella Harmon responded to questions regarding the ordinance.

It was moved by Councilperson Harsh, seconded by Councilperson Rigdon to approve the recommendation of the Historical Resources Commission with the understanding that any financial implications associated with this ordinance will be brought back to the Council.

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Councilperson Aiazzi suggested that the Planner that serves as the staff liaison from the Community Development Department have a background in Historic Preservation.

Motion carried.

14D Recommendation from the Historical Resources Commission regarding the relocation of the Lake Mansion.

Mayor Griffin disclosed that his wife is on the Board of Directors for Very Special Arts which is the non-profit organization that is the caretaker for the Lake Mansion.

It was moved by Councilperson Harsh, seconded by Mayor Griffin to approve the recommendation of the Historical Resources Commission's No. 1 site location at Arlington and Court Street and directed staff to work with all interested parties.

Motion carried.

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A recess was called at 2:40 p.m. and upon reconvening at 2:58 p.m., roll was taken with the following Council members present: Hascheff, Harsh, Rigdon, Sferrazza-Hogan, Doyle, and Aiazzi Absent: Mayor Griffin.

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ASSISTANT MAYOR RIGDON PRESIDING.

14E Discussion and status of purchase of 2001 Crown Victorias for Reno Police Department - S. Doyle.

Councilperson Doyle explained her frustration with the purchase of these vehicles and the fact that the cars were not immediately put to use but rather sitting at the car dealership for almost a year.

Mr. Steve Varela, Director of Public Works, indicated that 60 cars were ordered at one time and once they were received, each vehicle had to be retrofitted in order to comply with the Police Department's specifications. He stated that in hindsight, these vehicles should not have been purchased all at once, but rather in several different orders.

Mr. Tom Heck, Deputy Director of Public Works, outlined the items that were contained in the police package for the cars.

Councilperson Hascheff addressed the issue noting that a mistake was made, people learn from mistakes and he is very comfortable that staff will correct this in the future.

MAYOR GRIFFIN PRESENT 3:10 P.M.

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14E Discussion and status of purchase of 2001 Crown Victorias for Reno Police Department, continued:

COUNCILPERSON HARSH ABSENT 3:25 P.M.

Mr. John Francovich, representing Clear Channel, stated that productive meetings were held with the Billboard Industry and the Citizen's group and until 20 minutes ago he believed an agreement was reached.

Ms. Buffy Jo Dryling, of Citizen's for a Scenic Northern Nevada, addressed the issue of billboards in the City's Gateways.

Mr. Steve Raper, of Clear Channel Outdoor, stated that he believes the billboard industry has tried to compromise does not believe the opponents are willing to agree.

Lengthy discussion took place with respect to the past restrictions placed on the billboard industry and how those restrictions could be fully enforced to address the concerns of the Citizen's for a Scenic Northern Nevada and to comply with the spirit of the ballot question that passed regarding billboards.

____ Mayor Griffin asked if anyone else cared to speak on this matter. Hearing no one he closed the public hearing.

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- 15A1** Bill No. 5830 - Ordinance amending Title 18, Chapter 18.06 of the Reno Municipal Code entitled "Zoning" by adding language to and deleting language from Sections 18.06.910-18.06.914 entitled 'Off-Premises Advertising Displays" which govern how off-premises advertising displays are regulated; together with other matters properly relating thereto.

It was moved by Councilperson Hascheff, seconded by Councilperson Aiazzi to refer Bill No. 5830 to the Committee of the Whole as amended, changes included a 50' maximum height limitation, billboard positioning to be more acute, provide for possibility of separate height limits dependent upon location, address issue of "downlighting" within rural areas, allow for relocation and amend gateway locations. Council also directed staff to look at the issue of providing a "hard-number" for allowable billboard locations.

Motion carried with Councilpersons Harsh and Sferrazza-Hogan voting Nay.

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PUBLIC HEARINGS

- 15B** Staff Report: - Request for: (1) a Master Plan amendment from Urban Residential/Commercial (≥ 21 units/acre) to Mixed Residential; (2) a zoning map amendment from MF30 (Multi-Family) and CC (Community Commercial) to MF14 (Multi-Family); (3) a tentative map to develop a 15 lot single family subdivision on a ± 1.80 acre site located on the east side of Mt. Charleston Street approximately 300 feet north of Echo Avenue. Case No. LDC02-00101 (Habitat for Humanity/ Mt. Charleston).

Mayor Griffin asked if proper notice was given. City Clerk Cook stated that proper notice was given and no correspondence was received.

The Mayor declared the public hearing open and asked if anyone cared to speak. Hearing no one he closed the public hearing.

It was moved by Councilperson Doyle, seconded by Councilperson Rigdon to uphold the recommendation of the Planning Commission and approve the requests in Case No. LDC02-00101.

Motion carried.

15B1 Resolution No. 5924 - Resolution to amend Resolution No. 5673 by adopting a change to the Land Use Guide of the Reno Master Plan as approved in Case No. LDC02-00101. (Habitat for Humanity/Mt. Charleston).

It was moved by Councilperson Doyle, seconded by Councilperson Hascheff to pass and adopt Resolution No. 5924.

Motion carried.

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15B2 Bill No. 5831 - Ordinance to amend Chapter 18.06 of the Reno Municipal Code, entitled "Zoning", rezoning a ± 1.80 acre site located on the east side of Mt. Charleston Street approximately 300 feet north of Echo Avenue from MF30 (Multi-Family) and CC (Community Commercial) to MF14 (Multi-Family) together with other matters properly relating thereto. Case No. LDC02-00101 (Habitat for Humanity/Mt. Charleston).

It was moved by Councilperson Doyle, seconded by Councilperson Hascheff to refer Bill No. 5831 to the Committee of the Whole.

Motion carried.

15 **PUBLIC HEARING**

15C Staff Report: Request for a zoning map amendment from IB (Industrial Business) to IC (Industrial Commercial) on ± 9 acres of a ± 12.7 acre site to allow the construction of a warehouse on a parcel located on both sides of the northern terminus of Standard Street and wrapping around in an L-shape to Western Road. Case No. LDC02-00128 (Puliz/1095 Standard).

Mayor Griffin asked if proper notice was given. City Clerk Cook stated that proper notice was given and no correspondence was received.

The Mayor declared the public hearing open and asked if anyone cared to speak. Hearing no one he closed the public hearing.

It was moved by Councilperson Doyle, seconded by Councilperson Hascheff to uphold the recommendation of the Planning Commission and approve Case No. LDC02-001128.

Motion carried.

15C1 Bill No. 5832 - Ordinance to amend Chapter 18.06 of the Reno Municipal Code, entitled "Zoning" rezoning ± 9 acres of a ± 12.7 acre site located on both sides of the northern terminus of Standard Street and wrapping around in an L-shape to Western Road from IB (Industrial Business) to IC (Industrial

Commercial); together with other matters properly relating thereto. Case No. LDC02-00128 (Puliz/1095 Standard).

COUNCILPERSON HARSH ABSENT 4:35 P.M.

It was moved by Councilperson Doyle, seconded by Councilperson Hascheff to refer Bill No.5832 to the Committee of the Whole.

Motion carried with Councilperson Harsh absent.

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PUBLIC HEARING

- 15D** Staff Report: Request for a zoning map amendment from IB (Industrial Business) to IC (Industrial Commercial) on a ±6.35 acre site which is comprised of five (5) adjacent parcels on a site located on the southeast corner of Matley Lane and Mill Street. Case No. LDC02-00154 (Matley Lane Properties)

Mayor Griffin asked if proper notice was given. City Clerk Cook stated that proper notice was given and no correspondence was received.

The Mayor declared the public hearing open and asked if anyone cared to speak. Hearing no one he closed the public hearing.

It was moved by Councilperson Sferrazza-Hogan, seconded by Rigdon to uphold the recommendation of the Planning Commission and approve Case No. LDC 02-00154.

Motion carried with Councilperson Harsh absent.

- 15D1** Bill No. 5833 - Ordinance to amend Chapter 18.06 of the Reno Municipal Code, entitled "Zoning", rezoning a ±6.35 acre site which is comprised of five (5) adjacent parcels located on the southeast corner of Matley Lane and Mill Street from IB (Industrial Business) to IC (Industrial Commercial); together with other matters properly relating thereto. Case No. LDC02-00154 (Matley Lane Properties).

It was moved by Councilperson Sferrazza-Hogan, seconded by Councilperson Rigdon to refer Bill No. 5833.

Motion carried with Councilperson Harsh absent.

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PUBLIC HEARINGS

2:00 P.M.

15E Staff Report: Petition by Lakemont Homes for creation of a Landscape Maintenance District for Morningstar at Northgate, Units 2 and 3.

Mayor Griffin asked if proper notice was given. City Clerk Cook stated that proper notice was given and no correspondence was received.

The Mayor declared the public hearing open and asked if anyone cared to speak. Hearing no one he closed the public hearing.

It was moved by Councilperson Hascheff, seconded by Councilperson Doyle to approve the Landscape Maintenance District for Morningstar at Northgate, Units 2 and 3.

Motion carried with Councilperson Harsh absent.

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15E1 Bill No. 5835 - Ordinance creating a Landscape Maintenance District for Morningstar at Northgate, Units 2 and 3.

It was moved by Councilperson Hascheff, seconded by Councilperson Rigdon to refer Bill No. 5835 to the Committee of the Whole.

Motion carried with Councilperson Harsh absent.

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PUBLIC HEARINGS

2:00 P.M.

15F Staff Report: Petition by Braddock and Logan for creation of a Landscape Maintenance District for Mayberry Place.

Mayor Griffin asked if proper notice was given. City Clerk Cook stated that proper notice was given and no correspondence was received.

The Mayor declared the public hearing open and asked if anyone cared to speak. Hearing no one he closed the public hearing.

It was moved by Councilperson Hascheff, seconded by Councilperson Doyle to approve the Landscape Maintenance District for Mayberry Place.

Motion carried with Councilperson Harsh absent.

15F1 Bill No. 5835 - Ordinance creating a Landscape Maintenance District for Mayberry Place.

It was moved by Councilperson Hascheff, seconded by Councilperson Rigdon to refer Bill No. 5835.

Motion carried with Councilperson Harsh absent.

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PUBLIC HEARING

15G Staff Report: Request for: (1) a Master Plan amendment from Mixed Residential to Urban Residential Commercial; (2) a zoning map amendment from NC (Neighborhood Commercial) to CC (Community Commercial); and (3) a special use permit to allow (a) a bar; and (b) 24 hour businesses within the center on a ±10.4 acre site located on the north side of North Hills Boulevard approximately 900 feet west of Golden Valley Road. Case No. LDC02-00131 (North Hills Shopping Center/1075 North Hills Boulevard).

Mayor Griffin asked if proper notice had been given. City Clerk Cook stated that proper notice was given and no correspondence was received.

Ms. Teri Glasny, owner of The Diner, 1075 North Hills Boulevard, expressed her concerns regarding this proposed business. She stated that there is an elementary school and a new high school very near by and she pointed out that she does not believe a bar should be located so close. Mr. Glasny further pointed out that she has traffic safety concerns for the children in this area if alcoholic beverages are served.

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Ms. Kristin Shields, Associate Planner, discussed the hours of operation at the existing shopping center and the affect of the zone change from NC to CC.

Councilperson Doyle indicated that she could make all the findings for the Master Plan amendment, zoning map amendment and the special use permit. She asked the applicant to agree to operating only between the hours of 6 a.m. to 12:00 a.m.

Mr. John Krmpotic, representing the applicant, indicated that he cannot agree to those hours of operation, since the Pour House, which is located in the shopping center, is allowed to operate 24 hours a day.

It was pointed out that this item was not appealed and if the Planning Commission conditions are going to be amended, the Council could continue this item and instruct staff to re-notice the residents in this area.

It was moved by Councilperson Doyle, seconded by Councilperson Hascheff to approve the Master Plan amendment, zoning map amendment and special use permit for a bar and deny of the special use permit for 24 hour businesses.

Motion carried with Councilperson Sferrazza-Hogan and Aiazzi voting Nay and Councilperson Harsh absent.

15G1 Resolution No. 5925 - Resolution to amend Resolution No. 5673 by adopting a change to the Land Use Guide of the Reno Master Plan as approved in Case No. LDC02-00131. (North Hills Shopping Center/1075 North Hills Boulevard).

It was moved by Councilperson Doyle, seconded by Councilperson Hascheff to pass and adopt Resolution No. 5925.

Motion carried with Councilperson Sferrazza-Hogan and Aiazzi voting Nay and Councilperson Harsh absent.

- 15G2** Bill No. 5836 - Ordinance to amend Chapter 18.06 of the Reno Municipal Code, entitled "Zoning", rezoning a ±10.4 acre site located on the north side of North Hills Boulevard approximately 900 feet west of Golden Valley Road from NC (Neighborhood Commercial) to CC (Community Commercial); together with other matters properly relating thereto. Case No. LDC02-00131 (North Hills Shopping Center/1075 North Hills Boulevard).

It was moved by Councilperson Doyle, seconded by Councilperson Hascheff to refer Bill No. 5836 to the Committee of the Whole.

Motion carried with Councilperson Sferrazza-Hogan and Aiazzi voting Nay and Councilperson Harsh absent.

13 **FINANCE**

- 13A** Staff Report: Selection of the Financing Plan for the Downtown Events Center.

Ms. Donna Kristaponis, Assistant City Manager, outlined the actions that were taken by the Stakeholders Group at their meeting on January 7, 2002.

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- 13A** Staff Report: Selection of the Financing Plan for the Downtown Events Center, continued:

Mr. Andy Green, Finance Director, highlighted the recommended financing plan for the center.

Mr. Jeff Holt, of Goldman, Saks, outlined the structure of the financing plan. He stated that under this structure the construction fund will be funded at 63.6 million; All existing debt of the RSCVA for the Bowling Stadium will be paid; the City of Reno will be provided with 7.7 million to repay loans on the previous bowling stadium; and a reserve fund of 10 million will be established.

Mr. Sam Dehne, Reno Citizen, asked the Council to build a huge events center.

Mr. John Francovich, representing NEWCO, urged the Council to approve the financing package that is being recommended.

Councilperson Sferrazza-Hogan indicated that she could not support the plan unless there was 5 million in the City's reserve fund.

- 13A1** Resolution No. 5926 - Resolution authorizing the sale of capital improvement revenue bonds in the maximum principal amount of \$120,000,000 for the purposes of financing capital improvement projects in the City and providing other matters properly relating thereto. (Downtown Events Center).

It was moved by Councilperson Aiazzi, seconded by Councilperson Hascheff to uphold the recommendation and pass and adopt Resolution No. 5926.

Motion carried with Councilpersons Rigdon and Sferrazza-Hogan voting Nay and Councilperson Harsh voting Nay.

- 13A2** Resolution No. Resolution of intent proposing the issuance of and authorizing the publication of notices relating to the general obligation (limited tax) capital improvement bonds (additionally secured by pledged revenues) with the maximum principal amount of \$120,000,000 for the purposes of financing capital improvement projects in the City and providing other matters properly relating thereto. (Downtown Events Center)

NO ACTION WAS TAKEN ON THIS ITEM.

MAYOR GRIFFIN ABSENT 6:20 P.M.

ASSISTANT MAYOR RIGDON PRESIDING.

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FIRST READING ORDINANCES

- 7A** Bill No. 5837 - Ordinance amending Title 2, Chapter 2.08 of the Reno Municipal Code entitled "Administration" pertaining to the Board of Massage Examiners to amend the requirements regarding reinstatement of a massage therapist license after more than twelve months has expired.

It was moved by Councilperson Hascheff, seconded by Councilperson Aiazzi to refer Bill No. 5837 to the Committee of the Whole.

Motion carried with Councilperson Harsh and Mayor Griffin absent.

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RESOLUTIONS

- 6A** Resolution No. 5927 - Resolution authorizing the filing of an application with the State of Nevada Department of Conservation and Natural Resources for the 2002 Nevada Recreational Trails Program.

It was moved by Councilperson Aiazzi, seconded by Councilperson Doyle to pass and adopt Resolution No. 5927.

Motion carried with Councilperson Harsh and Mayor Griffin absent.

- 6B** Resolution No. 5928 - Resolution Directing the Regional Transportation Commission and Lumos and Associates Inc., through the City Engineer, to prepare and submit plans and cost estimates for the 2002 Special Assessment District No.1.

It was moved by Councilperson Hascheff, seconded by Councilperson Aiazzi to pass and adopt Resolution No. 5928.

Motion carried with Councilperson Harsh and Mayor Griffin absent.

- 6C** Resolution No. Resolution Honoring the life of Moya Olsen Lear.

THIS ITEM WAS DEFERRED TO THE NEXT REGULAR MEETING.

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SECOND READING ORDINANCES

- 8A** Bill No. 5829 - Ordinance to amend Title 18, Chapter 18.06, entitled “Zoning” of the Reno Municipal Code regarding the definition of Single Room Occupancy (SRO), providing standards for SROs and congregate care facilities and permitting congregate care facilities in an NC zone; together with other matters properly relating thereto.

It was moved by Councilperson Aiazzi, seconded by Councilperson Hascheff to pass and adopt Bill No. 5829, Ordinance No. 5294.

Motion carried with Councilperson Harsh and Mayor Griffin absent.

- 8B** Bill No. 5825 - Ordinance to amend Ordinance No. 5271 which amended Title 2, Chapter 2.10, Article III Sections 2.10.200 and 2.10.230 of the Reno Municipal Code Entitled Room Tax by amending the boundaries of the area within which the additional one and one half percent room tax will be collected.

Ms. Roberta Ross, representing Ross Manor, indicated that although at prior meetings on this issue, she had asked that Ross Manor be exempt from the new Room Tax, she is no longer requesting the exemption. Ms. Ross continued that compromise has been reached with the RSCVA and her issues will be addressed at that level.

Ms. Ruth Wheeler, 53 High Street, agreed with Ms. Ross and also withdrew her request for an exemption from the additional Room Tax ordinance.

Discussion ensued with respect to the Truckee River Lodging House property owner by Mr. Bob Rusk and whether or not his property should be excluded from the boundaries of the additional room tax.

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- 8B** Bill No. 5825 - Ordinance to amend Ordinance No. 5271 which amended Title 2, Chapter 2.10, Article III Sections 2.10.200 and 2.10.230 of the Reno Municipal Code Entitled Room Tax by amending the boundaries of the area within which the additional one and one half percent room tax will be collected, continued:

It was moved by Councilperson Hascheff, seconded by Councilperson Aiazzi to continue this item for two weeks to allow staff the opportunity to address the boundary distance issue with respect to Mr. Rusk’s property.

Motion carried with Councilperson Harsh and Mayor Griffin absent.

- 7B** Staff Report: Bill No. A request for final approval of the SPD Handbook and Ordinance to amend Chapter 18.06, of the Reno Municipal Code entitled “Zoning” rezoning to Specific Plan District a ±6.1 acre site located at the southeast corner of Plumb Lane and Arlington Avenue. Case No. LDC01-00363 (Plumgate).

Ms. Patricia Davis, Dartmouth Drive resident, requested a delay in any final action on the recent changes made to this case to allow the neighboring residents the opportunity to review those amendments.

Mr. Roderick Sage, Dartmouth Drive, pointed out that he does not believe the proper discrepancies in the handbook have been addressed and he requested this item be postponed.

Mr. David Mousel, representing the area residents, concurred with the previous speakers and asked that this item be deferred until all of the contested issues can be resolved.

Mr. John Webster Brown, area resident, stated that he the individual who originally appealed this case and he is not in agreement with the amendments that are being proposed. He asked the Council to defer action on approval of the handbook.

Ms. Cheryl Ryan, Senior Planner, explained the changes that have been made to the original layout of the plan.

Councilperson Aiazzi suggested that this item be continued for two weeks to allow the neighbors to meet with the developer to discuss the changes and perhaps reach an agreement prior to Council approving the handbook.

Councilperson Hascheff requested a red-line draft of this project at the next meeting.

It was moved by Councilperson Aiazzi, seconded by Councilperson Hascheff to continue this item to the January 22, 2002 Meeting at 1:00 p.m. with direction to staff to return with a red-line draft of the changes being made to this project and how it differs from what was previously approved.

Motion carried with Councilperson Harsh and Mayor Griffin absent.

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CITY CLERK

9A Appointments to Boards and Commission - Financial Advisory Board.

It was moved by Councilperson Hascheff, seconded by Councilperson Aiazzi to appoint Marcia Martin, William Thomas and William Bowers to the Financial Advisory Board.

Motion carried with Councilperson Harsh and Mayor Griffin absent.

COUNCILPERSON HARSH PRESENT 7:10 P.M.

10 **FIRE**

10A Staff Report: Direction to staff regarding participation in the Washoe County Committee regarding formation of a Regional Fire Protection Agency.

In response to Councilperson Doyle, Councilperson Hascheff restated the intent of the motion he made at the December 18, 2001 joint meeting: The City of Reno staff should work with Washoe County on the evaluation of the present contract and review the formation of a Regional Fire Protection Agency on a dual track mode.

Councilperson Doyle stated that she believes the intent of the Regional Fire Board was to determine whether not the financial implications of the of the consolidated contract would warrant the formation of a Regional Fire Protection Agency.

It was moved by Councilperson Hascheff, seconded by Councilperson Sferrazza-Hogan to direct staff to work with Washoe County and other agencies to evaluate the present contract and review the possibility of alternate methods of service delivery on a dual track mode.

The motion resulted in a tie with Councilpersons Rigdon, Doyle and Aiazzi voting Nay and Mayor Griffin absent.

12 CITY MANAGER

12A Presentation and potential direction to staff regarding recession planning.

Mr. Charles McNeely, City Manager, explained that he had asked each department to prepare for a recession by proposing a 5% budget savings. He added that this planning is simply precautionary and it will be based on the 2nd quarter numbers as to whether or not the plan would be implemented.

Councilperson Rigdon pointed out that he would like an item placed on the next agenda so that budget augmentations can be done. He would also like the Municipal Court on notice to let them know that the unfilled security positions may be put on hold and he would also like a report on the percentage of growth by each department over the past two years.

Councilperson Doyle requested that the employee "buyout program" be drafted and submitted to Council for review.

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12A Presentation and potential direction to staff regarding recession planning, continued:

_____ It was the determination of the Council to accept the report and direct staff to ensure civil service position will be filled for public safety and return with the issues brought forward by Councilpersons Rigdon and Doyle.

COUNCILPERSON DOYLE ABSENT 8:05 P.M.

11 PUBLIC WORKS

11A Staff Report: Office Space Improvements for City Hall.

Mr. Steve Varela, Director of Public Works, outlined the proposal for converting the Redevelopment Agency space in the west wing of City Hall into City Council Offices. He responded to questions from the

Council with respect to the remodel of those offices and the new entrance into the west side of City Hall.

It was moved by Councilperson Aiazzi, seconded by Councilperson Sferrazza-Hogan to approve the recommendation as outlined in the staff report with the understanding that if cost cuts are necessary, expenses for Council office space should be decreased first.

Motion carried with Councilperson Doyle and Mayor Griffin absent.

11B Staff Report: Lease of Office Space for Information Services.

It was moved by Councilperson Aiazzi, seconded by Councilperson Hascheff to approve the lease agreement.

Motion carried with Councilperson Doyle and Mayor Griffin absent.

11C. Staff Report: Contract for Design Services for Office Space Improvements at City Hall.

Councilperson Hascheff pointed out that indemnity clause in the contract and the indemnity clause in Attachment A are different.

Mr. Randall Edwards, Chief Deputy City Attorney, stated that the clause contained in the contract would be correct.

It was moved by Councilperson Aiazzi, seconded by Councilperson Hascheff to approve the contract with Barada-Fuetsch Architects for \$100,000.00 as amended to address the indemnity clause.

Motion carried with Councilperson Doyle and Mayor Griffin absent.

The Meeting was adjourned at 8:25 p.m.